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Dear Respondent:

This issue of the **USDA/NASS NEW MEXICO FIELD OFFICE SPECIAL SURVEY RESULTS** covers the results of the Bee and Honey Survey. This is being sent exclusively to those of you who responded to our request for data. The information you provided made these published estimates possible. Thank you for your cooperation and the time spent completing the surveys.

Sincerely,

Dwaine C. Nelson
Director

HONEY

NEW MEXICO: Honey production from producers with five or more colonies totaled 343,000 pounds from 7,000 colonies in 2005, for a yield of 49 pounds per colony. This compares to 352,000 pounds from 8,000 colonies in 2004. The 2005 average prices was \$1.02 per pound for a total value of production of \$350,000. Stocks on hand on December 15th totaled 113,000 pounds, down 11 percent from last year.

UNITED STATES: Honey production in 2005 from producers with five or more colonies totaled 175 million pounds, down 5 percent from 2004. There were 2.41 million colonies producing honey in 2005, down 6 percent from 2004. Yield per colony averaged 72.5 pounds, up 1 percent from the 71.8 pounds in 2004. Colonies which produced honey in more than one State were counted in each State where the honey was produced, therefore yields per colony may be understated. Colonies were not included if honey was not harvested. Producer honey stocks were 62.4 million pounds on December 15, 2005, up 2 percent from a year earlier. Stocks held by producers exclude stocks held under the commodity loan program.

Honey: Number of Colonies, Yield, Production, Stocks, Price, and Value, Selected States and U.S., 2005 ^{1/}

State	Honey Producing Colonies	Yield Per Colony	Production	Stocks Dec 15 ^{2/}	Average Price Per Pound ^{3/}	Value of Production
	-----1,000-----	---Pounds---	-----1,000 Pounds-----		-----Cents-----	-----1,000 Dollars----
AL	13	66	858	266	128	1,098
AZ	36	50	1,800	720	97	1,746
AR	36	69	2,484	571	95	2,360
CA	400	75	30,000	9,300	84	25,200
CO	26	70	1,820	837	104	1,893
FL	160	86	13,760	2,477	87	11,971
GA	59	49	2,891	434	84	2,428
HI	9	131	1,179	283	134	1,580
ID	95	37	3,515	1,793	80	2,812
IL	8	85	680	408	162	1,102
IN	8	64	512	189	119	609
IA	28	88	2,464	1,232	98	2,415
KS	16	50	800	328	124	992
KY	5	50	250	40	212	530
LA	35	97	3,395	611	71	2,410
ME	8	26	208	193	187	389
MI	65	68	4,420	2,519	99	4,376
MN	120	74	8,880	1,598	83	7,370
MS	16	80	1,280	346	66	845
MO	15	50	750	180	121	908
MT	130	67	8,710	3,136	80	6,968
NE	40	68	2,720	2,530	89	2,421
NV	12	46	552	442	209	1,154
NJ	12	32	384	104	118	453
NM	7	49	343	113	102	350
NY	60	73	4,380	2,321	122	5,344
NC	10	54	540	146	194	1,048
ND	370	91	33,670	8,418	81	27,273
OH	15	69	1,035	580	141	1,459
OR	39	42	1,638	557	108	1,769
PA	28	56	1,568	800	105	1,646
SD	220	79	17,380	11,818	76	13,209
TN	7	55	385	92	164	631
TX	84	71	5,964	954	85	5,069
UT	23	45	1,035	331	103	1,066
VT	6	91	546	169	106	579
VA	8	37	296	59	221	654
WA	51	55	2,805	1,935	106	2,973
WV	8	51	408	102	124	506
WI	64	83	5,312	2,922	114	6,056
WY	40	56	2,240	291	87	1,949
Other States ^{4/ 5/}	18	44	786	261	278	2,184
U.S. ^{5/}	2,410	72.5	174,643	62,406	90.4	157,795

^{1/} For producers with 5 or more colonies. Colonies which produced honey in more than one state were counted in each State. ^{2/} Stocks held by producers. ^{3/} Prices weighted by sales. ^{4/} CT, DE, MD, MA, NH, OK, RI, and SC not published separately to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. ^{5/} Total colonies multiplied by total yield may not exactly equal production.